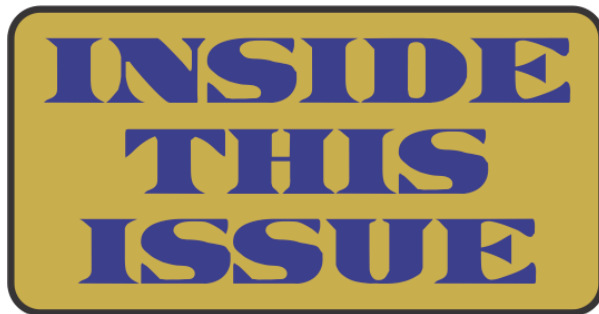




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Well, it's not an official entry,

But the first person to submit a new name for our Newsletter was none other than **DeMolay International's Grand Senior Councilor Dad Bill Sardone.**

**First Entry in
 “Name-the-
 Newsletter”
 Contest**

What was his suggestion? ***"The Gator Aid"***

Thanks Dad Sardone for your support of Florida DeMolay!



**Anclote Elects
 First Officers**

The first elected officers of **Anclote Chapter**.

L to R: **Nicholas McIntosh** SC, **Nick Gorall** MC, and **Zach Hardgrove** JC. Congratulations brothers!



**Walter Fishback
 Publicity**

Good work by **Walter Fishback Chapter** in getting an article in ***The Florida Mason*** covering their charter presentation.

The Florida Mason is sent to all Freemasons in the State of Florida, as well as all Masonic jurisdictions throughout the world. If you'd like to see the article in a more readable form, just ask one of your Chapter's Masonic Advisors.



First Line Signers Get Special Shirts

A free Brotherhood Beyond Borders *T-Shirt will go to any **First Line Signer in the Month of March, 2016.**

*one shirt per member and while supplies last.

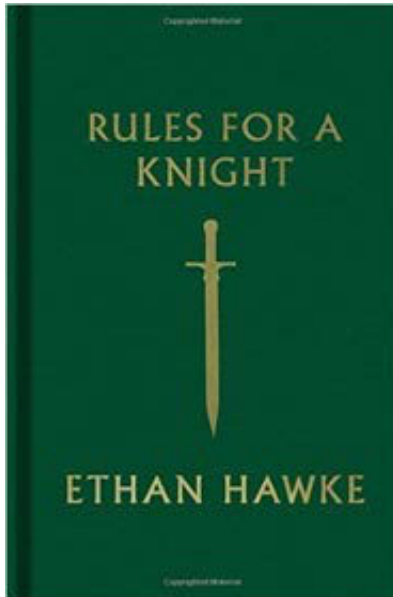
NAME-THE-NEWSLETTER CONTEST

Open to Florida Active DeMolays

- The contest is **open to Active DeMolays** who are members of Chapters in Florida.
- Entries are **due by February 28, 2016**
- The current name is the Florida DeMolay Newsletter. Submissions should reflect this information in a more unique/interesting/DeMolay-related way. Graphics are welcomed but not necessary.
- Submit entries to: **News@FLDeMolay.com** [you can also click this link]

The Prize

In addition to the pride of being chosen, the first-place winner will receive a copy of **Rules For a Knight by Ethan Hawke, autographed by the author.** That's right, *signed by four-time Academy*



Award-nominated actor-writer Ethan Hawke.

"A knight, fearing he may not return from battle, writes a letter to his children in an attempt to leave a record of all he knows. He writes of honesty, humility, courage," the elements that make a proper DeMolay.

- Technical stuff: Entries become the property of Florida DeMolay and all rights accrue to Florida DeMolay. Decision of the judges is by their sole discretion, and they may accept or reject all entries, including choosing their own name or combining/ adapting/ changing any entries. The decision is ultimately made by the Executive Officer of

Florida DeMolay, but the Judging Committee is expected to consist of the Newsletter Editor, the State Master Councilor and the Executive Officer.



New Year, New Members

We have had a wide range of focuses these past 6 months but it always comes back to Membership and what we can do together to ensure the continued success of our great Order. Each and every year it is the goal to reach a positive net growth so that we can continue to statistically grow in numbers. But it's not about a number, it's about the opportunity afforded to a young man to become a part of DeMolay.

For those who don't know, we need just over **2,500** new members in 2016 to reach positive growth. Our ultimate goal for March is to have **500** young men join. If our Jurisdictions and Chapters start to realize where they are in their own membership and the potential they have to expand, we may be more successful in the long run.

If your Chapter or Jurisdiction ever needs some guidance on how to approach growing membership,

please reach out to us - if we're not able to guide you in the right path we have many members who have been successful with membership and who would appreciate being of assistance.

Please find our updated **Plan to Grow our Brotherhood Beyond Borders** packet [HERE](#)

Keeping in Touch

As we move through this year, we will be introducing new ways to contact the Congress Officers and using new means to personally reach out to members – we've recognized the calling we have, and we will do everything in our power to make each and every member of DeMolay feel appreciated for their time in our great Order. Please let us know what's going on in your lives [HERE](#)

Questions for the International Congress Officers?

Email us anytime and we'll get back to you!

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East-West Shrine Game Sat., Jan. 23rd

The East/West Shrine Game is **Saturday January 23rd (the Saturday after Mini Conclave)**, and will be held at Tropicana Field

in Tampa. The game starts at 4:00 pm, and the gates open at 2:00 pm. All volunteers are asked to be there by about 1:30.

The DeMolays will be distributing programs and collecting donations for said programs. All donations will benefit the Shriners Hospitals for Children - this is NOT a DeMolay fundraiser, but **will count toward Masonic or Civic Service hours for merit bar purposes.**

All volunteers and adult advisors will receive free attendance to the game, which is general admission - we can all sit together if we arrange it right.

Contact **Dad Jeff Hoffman** at JHoffman@fIDeMolay.com [\[CLICK\]](#) for more information.



Geo. Washington Masonic Memorial Now an Historic Landmark

The George Washington Masonic National Memorial is now a national historic landmark.

The National Park Service announced that the Masonic memorial and three other sites across the country are being added to the list of historic landmarks.

The Freemasons built and maintain the memorial as a commemoration of the first U.S. president, who was also the first master of the fraternal group's Alexandria lodge.

The 330-foot memorial was dedicated in 1932. The park service says the building, on an Alexandria hilltop, blends neoclassical and skyscraper design.

Of DeMolay interest: When you first enter the building in Alexandria, VA, just outside of Washington, D.C., the most prominent object is a huge statue of President George Washington in his Masonic regalia. Walk around to the back of the statue, and you will see a bronze plaque telling you that the statue was donated by DeMolay!

Coming soon...

Highlights from

Mini Conclave

Ongoing Florida State Programs



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Suit Swap by Sara Nelson, *State Sweetheart*

Florida Demolay is looking for used suits (suit jackets, pants, dress shirts, ties and shoes) any size and/or donations to start a new suit closet for the young men at their annual conventions each year.

Contact ssweetheart@fldemolay.com [[CLICK NAME](#)] or Theresa Nelson at (727) 466-7760.

To see the [FLYER](#), [Click Here](#).



Scholarship Money Available

There are many programs available to DeMolays entering college. Go to the DeMolay.org website and click "Scholarships," or just [\[CLICK HERE\]](#)



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